

Academic Honesty

Allan Hancock College Board Policy 5500

Honesty and integrity are essential to the academic community. Faculty, students, and staff are expected to be truthful, trustworthy, and fair in all academic endeavors. Students who violate these principles by cheating, plagiarizing, or acting in other academically dishonest ways are subject to disciplinary action.

Below are examples of academically dishonest behaviors:

- Copying from another student's work without instructor approval;
- Giving answers to another student without instructor approval;
- Using notes, books or other unauthorized materials during an exam;
- Taking a test for someone else;
- Submitting someone else's work as one's own;
- Completing an assignment for another student;
- Using other people's ideas, words, images or artistic works – from any medium, including the Internet – without acknowledging them with proper documentation.

If an instructor determines, after a conference with the student, that the student has been academically dishonest, the instructor at his/her/their discretion may issue a failing grade on the assignment, or take other measures that are reasonable and appropriate. The student may also be subject to further disciplinary action through the Associate Superintendent/Vice President, Student Services.

An appeals process is available to the student through the office of the Associate Superintendent/Vice President, Student Services.